Naturalization Eligibility Worksheet Instructions

What is the purpose of this worksheet?

The attached "Eligibility Worksheet" will help you decide if you are eligible to apply for naturalization. You do not need to send the completed worksheet to INS. This worksheet is only for you to use to decide if you should apply for naturalization.

Who SHOULD complete this worksheet?

Individuals 18 years of age or older who are thinking about applying for naturalization based on their years as Permanent Residents.

Who SHOULD NOT use this worksheet?

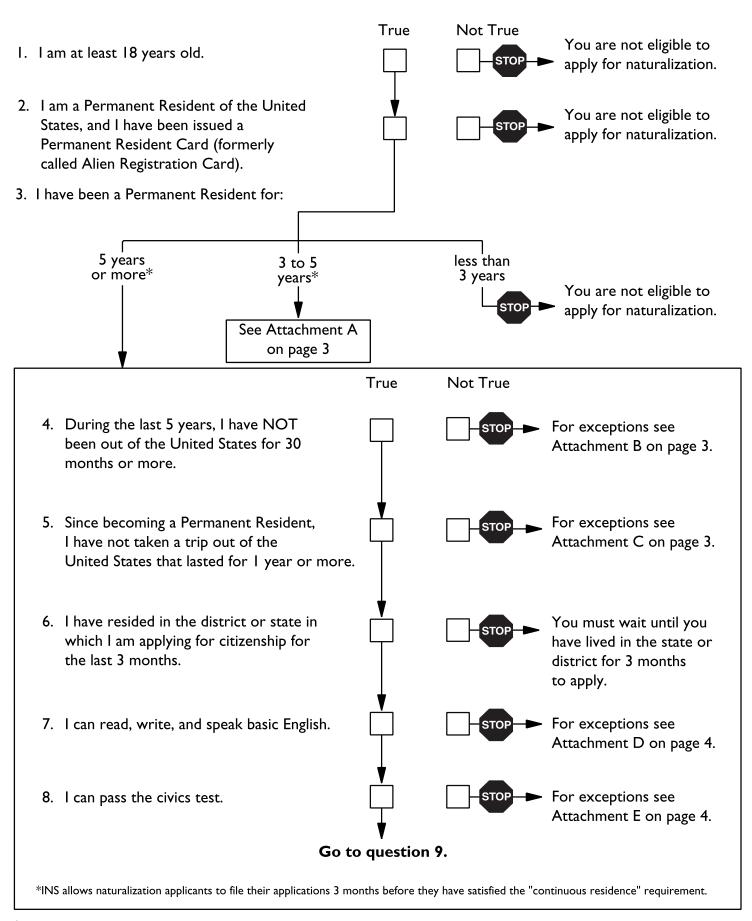
The following groups of people have different eligibility requirements for naturalization and SHOULD NOT use this worksheet to decide if they are eligible:

- Individuals under 18 years of age who want to apply for naturalization based on their parents' or adopted parents' citizenship (see questions 24-25 on pages 13-15 in A Guide to Naturalization for information on how to obtain citizenship).
- Permanent Residents whose spouses were U.S. citizens who died while on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces (see pages 18-19 in A Guide to Naturalization for information on your naturalization requirements).
- Individuals who want to apply for naturalization based on active duty service in the U.S. Armed Forces (see pages 18-19 in A Guide to Naturalization for information on your naturalization requirements).
- Spouses of U.S. citizens if the U.S. citizen is (a) a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, (b) an employee or contractor of the U.S. Government, (c) an employee of an American institution of research, (d) an employee of an American-owned firm, (e) an employee of a public international organization, or (f) a clergy member (see pages 20-21 in A Guide to Naturalization for more information).

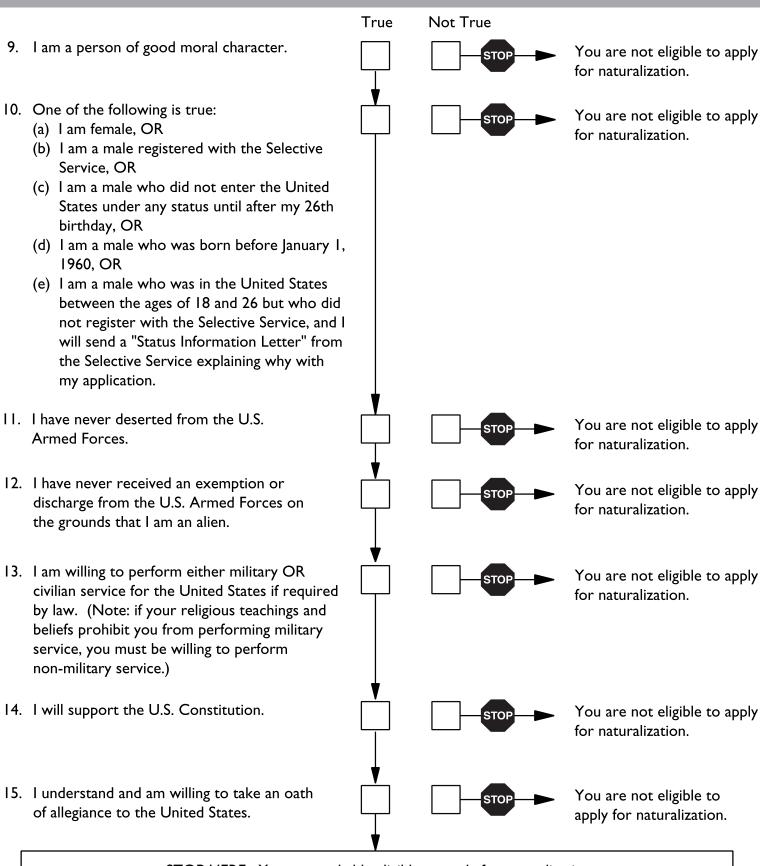
Directions for the Eligibility Worksheet:

- I. Answer the questions on the worksheet by checking "True" or "Not True." If you answer "Not True" to certain questions, you may be asked to answer additional questions on pages 3-4. Most applicants will NOT need to answer the questions on pages 3-4.
- 2. If you have completed the worksheet and believe you are eligible for naturalization, please call the INS Forms Line (I-800-870-3676) to request an application (Form N-400). A final decision will be made once you submit an application, take a citizenship test, and are interviewed.
- 3. If you have completed the worksheet and you still have questions regarding your eligibility, you should read A Guide to Naturalization. You may also wish to get advice from an immigrant assistance organization or immigration attorney.

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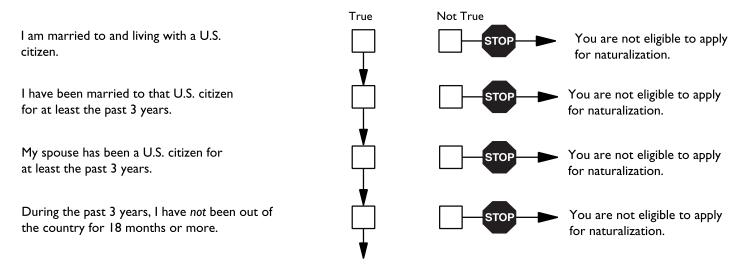


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Attachment A — Naturalization Eligibility Worksheet

I have been a Permanent Resident for 3 to 5 years.



If you answered "true" to all 4 questions, go to question 5 on page 1.

Attachment B

I have been out of the country for 30 months or more.

I am: (a) a person who has served on board a vessel operated by or registered in the United States, OR

(b) an employee or an individual under contract to the U.S. Government, OR

(c) a person who performs ministerial or priestly functions for a religious denomination or an interdenominational organization with a valid presence in the United States.

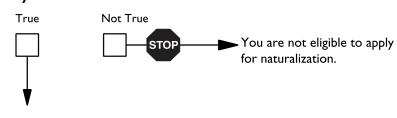
If you answered "true," see pages 20-21 in A Guide to Naturalization to get more information and go to question 5 on page 1.

Attachment C

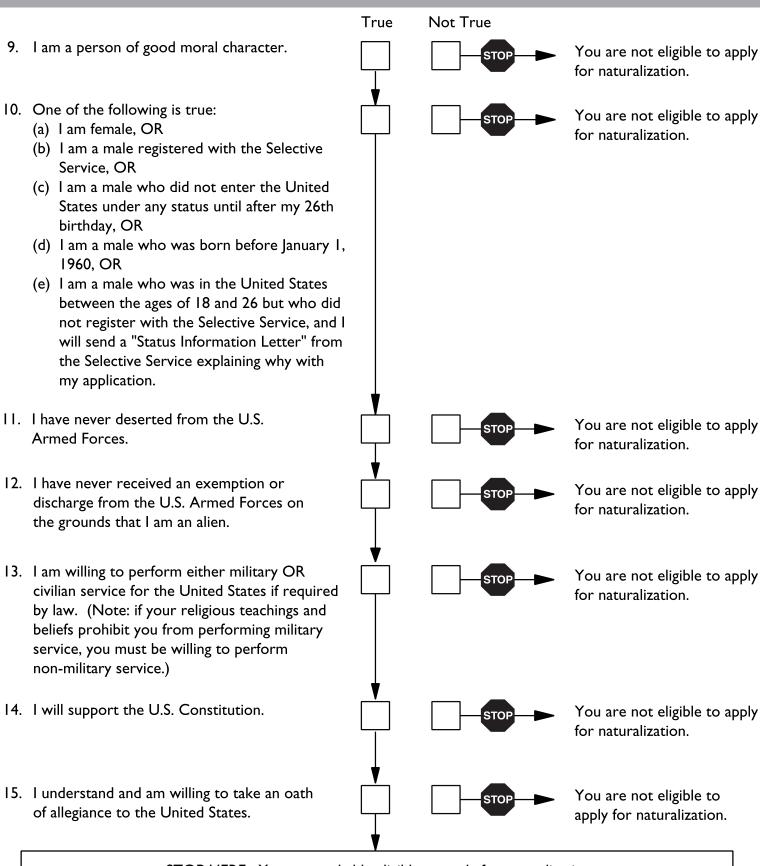
I have been out of the country for one year or more.

Since becoming a Permanent Resident, I have not taken a trip out of the United States that lasted for I year or more without an approved "Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes" (Form N-470).

Note: only certain people can use the N-470. See pages 18-21 in *A Guide to Naturalization* for more information.



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